giving him warmly. "If you oppose men who hold Federal office, however, you have notalinated one of them for chairman," he added. With a warm culegy of Mr. Agnow, Mr. Thorp commended him to the convention for the temporary chairmanship. During the delivery of his speech, he was frequently interrupted by applause for Lewis and repeated orless of 'Lewis,' and 'Vote.' But when Mr. There closed the Seventh, Eighth, lifth North and Second Districts went wild did onthusiasm.

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G. A. Revercomb, of Alleghany, speaking for the Tenth District, seconded the nomination of Agrew, and incidentally congratulated the party on the splendid showing made in this convention.

Robert W. Blair, of Wythe, in seconding the nomination of Judge Lewis, "streed up the animals." The speaker described a mountain torrent and how it gathered force and power as it went until it irresistibly swept all before it. He likened to the torrent the movement for a reorganization of the party in this State, which he deflared could never be stemmed. Mr. Blair maid his respects to the office-holding faction and predicted that the positions that know them now would soon know them no more forever. The speaker endersed Judge Lowis as the representative of the reorganization movement, and rommended him in the highest terms.

SHOT AT OFFICE-HOLDERS.

Mr. Blair's shot at the office-holders provoked R. A. Fulwiter, of Staunton, to a spirited and even impassioned relort.

"I hold a little Federal office myself,

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"I hold a little Federal office myself, at I'll be danned if I will let it bind

and gag me."

The speaker sharply arradged the reorgamizers, challenging any one to name a man who had held more offices than L. L. Lewis. The speaker was warming up to a bitter assault, when Colonel S. Brown Allen quietly slipped to the stage and gave him a signal to stop. The tip was effective, and Mr. Fulwiler soon leased.

State Sanators Noel and Harman warm-State Scrators Noel and Harman warming endorsed the nomination of Judge Lewis. Scenator Harman asked the Republicans of Virginia to give the fighting force of the party this little crumb—

Judge Lewis.

Mr. J. F. Griffith, of Russell, secondsid the nomination of Judge Lewis. He
called upon the wise men of the east
to follow the star to the west and see
where the bube of the Republican asrendancy lies. He himself had hold office twice, having been elected by the
records both times.

people both times.

Mr. W. C. Franklin, of Appomattox, spoke for the nomination of Lewis. In figure so he reviewed his own party service and declared a desire to see a militant organization in the State.

lant organization in the State.

"Talk about a reorganization! What
I want is an organization, not a reorganization. If there has been any Republican organization in this State during the last eight years, God only knows where it is." here it is."
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The speaker was interrupted by cries of "Yote," "Sit Down," "Shut up," and various other salutations, significant of a desire to have the oratory terminated. The sporadle disorder soon became almost a bedium. In vain Acting Chairman Groner hammered with his gavel and personally appealed for order. Mr.

Groner hammered with his gavel and personally appealed for order. Mr. Franklin tried in vain to be heard, and at last gave it up and resumed his seat amid great applause.

8. Harris Hoge, perhaps the most polished orator in the convention, was the next speaker, and seized the opportunity to indulge in a rather protentious address in the course of which ha discussed general politics. State and national, and arraigned the Democrats for disfranchising thousands of negroes. "In doing this they have killed the goose that lays the golden egg."

zell; Eighth, W. H. Eggoort, Kin S Payne; Tenth, James Lyons; Fulwiler, chairman.

VOTE BY DISTRICTS.

The vote for temporary clairm districts shows the strength of the tions in each, it was as follows:

District. Agnow.

Pirith 26:

Sceend 47:1-2

Third 0

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Fourth 41:6

Sixth 36

Seventh 51 lays the golden egg."

ROOSEVELTS RECOGNITION. He sharply arraigned Mr. Blair on his nosition, and challenged the statement or the insinuation that Mr. Roosevelt had given assurances of recognition to the reorganizers. Continuing, Mr. Hoge confessed that he held "a little office," and the confession was received with laughter

ofterward a Roanoke city delegate, rising to a point of order, repudiated the sentiment of Mr. Hoge as representative of the city of Roanoke, Mr. Hoge, the interrupter declared, represented only self. Great impatience and confusion en-sued, the audience seeking to how! Hoge down. The chairman appealed for order, asking if the delegates desired the Dem-ocratic newspapers to declare that a man could not get a hearing in a Republican convention. Anid great difficulties Mr.

contention. Amid great difficulties are convention. The mould in which he was made was broken, and there would be no more like him." Mr. Browning spoke in a conciliatory strain, but urged the convention with prevailing the convention got into a snarl and then into an uproar. DRAMATIC INCIDENT.

After several ineffectual viva voce votes, in which Chairman Agnew was much product of the flered factional feeling in evaluing, came unexpectedly.

this place."

The roll of counties was then called and proceeded amid great confusion, with frequent challenging of votes. Every vote was contested, and even the practical votes. In some cases the delegations were polled in order to verify disputer. When the Seventh District was polled. C. M. Keezell announced the vote of the entire district for Agnew. General Thomas L. Rosser was on his feet in an instant in protest.

After great confusion, General Rosser's vote was recorded for Judge Lewis amid applause. The solid vote of the Ninth District, save one vote from Bristol, went to Lewis amid applause.

The majority of the First District went to Lewis and applause.

AGNEW WINS.

AGNEW WINS. AGNEW VINS.

The other delegations divided badly.

After long figuring, the result was announced: Agnew, 340 2-3; Lewis, 223.

There was wild appliance from the "organization" clans, and the band played "Dixie."

Judge Lewis arose in the gallery and moved to make the nomination of Mr.

Judge Lewis arose in the gallery and moved to make the nomination of Mr. Agnew unanimous. There was great applause, but when the vote was put there were loud cries of "No," "No," and "Never."

Mr. R. A. Fulwiller, of Staunton, moved the appointment of one member from each district to constitute the committee on credentials. Mr. Fulwiller was made chairmar, of the committee, and each district delegation was directed to select its member of the committee. It was determined to select the committees on permanent organization and resolutions after the report of the credentials committee.

The convention, after the announcement of the committee, took a recess to permit the committee to do its work.
REORGANIZERS DETERMINED.

GREAT ESSAY CONTEST between the School Boys of Richmond and Manchester announced to-morrow



and four things we want you to look at-perhaps buy. First, Spring Dunlap Hats. Second, New Spring Shoes. Third, \$20.00 Suits at \$12.80.

The Fourth is the forthcom-ing style in Spring Overcoats. They are here now—the short,

\$10.00 to \$30.00.



to the chair. He had to contend with

much disorder, but made an excellent presiding officer.

A PANTOMIME.

One of the most indicrous incidents of a characteristically laughable and therefere typical Republican convention was a speech in pantomime, delivered by a Bristol delegate in the rear of the hall. He had half a vote which he desired cast for Agnew, and that was all the modest Alexandrian got from Slemp-Land. In the midst of a veritable bediam, he sought to make a speech. In fact, he did speak elequently, but not a word could be heard. Only the spectacle of waving arms, facial contortions and stamping feet assured the convention that the gentleman from Bristol was launching a fervid panegyric of the man with the paint brush chin fringe, more widely known as Colonel Slemp.

The Credentials Committee was made up as follows:
First District, C. T. Hicks; Second, I. W. Rose; Third, Morgan Trent; Poarth, L. O. Davis; Fifth, J. H. Pigg; Sixth, M. H. Benglinger, Sevent, C. M. Kee.

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Worked the Case.

Jewelry Returned.

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District. Agnow.	Lewis.
First 26 1-2	18 1-3
Second 47 1-2	12.1-2
Third 0	41
Fourth	20
Fifth 44 1-6	16 5-6
Sixth	13
Seventh	2000035
Eighth	1.0
Ninth 1-2	94 1-2
Tenth 65	8
Totals340 2-3	223 1-3
CREDENTIALS.	

prompt to act in this crisis, in a found worke he moved that in order to avoid a split in the convention he would move that Afnelia contestees be scated.

A CRISIS MET.

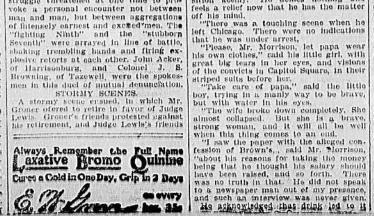
The motion prevailed by a whirlwind vote and the crisis was passed. The committees on Permanent Organization and resolutions were named consisting of one esolutions were named, consisting of one rom each district on each committee, The Committee or Permanent Organiza-tion, through S. Harris Hoge, reported recommending that the temporary organ-ization be made permanent, adopted. While the Resolution Committee was out Chairman Agnew announced that the con vention would proceed to the nomination vention woun proceed to the nomination of four delegates at large to the Chicago convention. This developed the most turbulent scenes and the greatest exclient prevailed. For fifteen minutes almost the entire convention was standing and the members yelling and gesticulating wildly.

ment prevailed. For fifteen minutes almost the entire convention was standing and the members yelling and gesticulating wildly.

It was the fight between the Agnew and Slemp factions, intensified as it had not been in the other contests before the convention. The feeling provoked in the struggle threatened at one time to provoke a personal encounter not between man and man, but between aggregations of intensely earnest and exceed/men. The "flighting Ninth" and the "stubborn Seventh" were arrayed in line of battle, shaking trembling hands and firing explosive retorts at each other. John Acker, of Harrisonburg, and Colonel J. Strowning, of Tazewell, were the spokesmen in this duel of mutual denunciation.

STORMY SCENES.

A stormy beene ersued, in which Mr. Groner ofered to retire in favor of Judge Lewis's friends protested regainst his retirement, and Judge Lewis's friends protested against his high protested against his retirement, and Judge Lewis's friends protested against his retirement. Against his high protest his protested against his high protest his protested aga



DEATH AND DISASTER

P. Snead, of King William, chosen in his stead.

The, result of the Amelia contest was the choice of General Sitth Bolling for executive committeeman after a hard fight. District Attorney Thomas L. Moore, of Montgomery, offered a resolution demanding that the national committeeman for Virginia be chosen from west of Roanoke. He admitted that the resolution meant the cilical sculp of G. E. Bowden. The resolution was voted down, or declared so, and Bowden re-elected.

Colonel Siemp finally declined the delogateship to Chicago, but the convention ignored the declination, and adjourned sinc die, just before 1 A. M. after one of the stormlest sessions in many years. This left Mr. Groner and Messrs, Allen and Agnow and Slemp as the four.

A. H. T.

five thousand people of the city were battling with the approaching flames. The advance line of the fire was fully two miles in length, and came in a semi-

the advance line of the Iris was unity onlies in length, and came in a semi-circular form.

A thousand men turned their efforts to checking the grass borders of the reservation and the case will be sent or to the grand jury. That body meets next Monday. An indictment will be drawn against him, his case will be set for the aring, and it is altogether probable that he will plead guilty and rest on the mercy of the court.

Brown left Richmond on November 23d. He went to New York, thence to Pitisburg, thence to Chicago. There he located. All the time he was in communication with his family, but his letters did not come direct to Richmond. He had friends who sympathised with him, and who wanted to do, what they could for him. He went from Chicago to Cuba, where he purchased some property for something over \$3,000. Back to the United States he came, and was for a time in the neighborhood of Richmond. He still kept up communication with his family.

Damage in Comanche County.

Brown is comfortably fixed at the city fail as circumstances allow. Friends have donated pillows and sheets, his room is full of fruit and other sheets, his room is into truth and delicacies, and he is allowed to receive friends. All day yesterday he was receiving, and he felt that in his misfortune he was not deserted.

When a Times-Dispatch man saw him. \$5,000; small country towns aggregate \$50,000; farm property, \$100,000.

STREET CARS COLLIDE. Passengers Shaken Up, But No-

mond. He displayed some nervousness, but was making a brave effort to brace himself for the inevitable. He spoke in a cheery voice, and told of his trip from Chicago to Richmond.

"I stand ready to atone for what I may have done" he add. "When it is all Two cars crashed together at Seventi and Main Streets yesterday afternoon about 5:20 o'clock, and caused considerable excitement. Both cars were going east, one a big Main Street car, the other an Oakwood car. No one was hurt, but the motorman of the Oakwood car narrowly escaped.

The passengers were shaken up and the smaller cur was badly broken.

The collision was due to a slippery track. what did it. I began a year ago, a little at a time, A short while before I lett Richmond, I realized that I had done away with more than I could replace, so I took all that was in sight, and left. I had been drinking. I don't really think I knew what I was doing.

"Now I see it all, and I stand ready, with the help of God to take my punishment."

BONDS ARE NOW PLACED

Worked the Case.

About the middle of December, Mr. Morrison was called into the case. He came here from New York, where he new lives, but he is a native of Lexington, Va. On December 28th, he started on his work. He took Mr. Charles Hall in with him, and for a month he watched the Brown household. When Mrs. Brown got ready to go to New York, Mr. Morrison went on the same train.

In Chicago he invoked the services of the detective agency of McGuire and White. Together they located Brown, where he had rented furnished apartments for three months' time. He was watched for several days, and when a good opportunity presented itself to arrest Brown, without creating a scene, he was taken in charge.

It took some little persuasion to recover the money. But a great part of it was eventually turned back, and the insurance company will not lose a cont.

Jewelry Returned. The Scaboard's Earnings for the Winter Not Unsatis-

8th, the stockholders of the Scaboard Ali Line authorized the issue of \$5,000,000 of 5 per cent. collatoral trust bonds. These bonds were offered to the stockholders of the Saaboard, who according to an official announcement, have taken \$2,900,000, leaving \$3,000,000 to be taken by Blair & Co., Thomas F. Ryan and T.

It is understood that the syndicate has arranged for the placing of these bonds so that within a short time the road will have the use of the \$5,000,000 in eash minus the syndicate commission of \$250,-000. This money will be at first applied to the Atlanta Birmingham division, so that the road's branch to Birmingham will be quickly completed. The completion of this branch will mean a considerable increase in both the gross and het earn-

lina.

The interests now dominant in the affairs of the company are determined that the read shall take its place as a leading southern trunk line and everything that tends to improvement along this line will He acknowledged that drink led to it he rapidly developed.

Mr. Cortolyou said in part:
The central fact to keep in view is this;
That in spite of the rapid rate at which
our forests have been diminishing for the
last three decades, the national lumber
supply is still in such a state as to constitute one of the several fundamental
elements of our commercial superiority
over competing nations in the world's
markets, Lumbering still ranks fourth
among our great industries. We have as
yet a decided advantage over other mations in our coal supply, in our from ore
resources and in our forests, More and
more, however, does the competitive capactly of modern nations resolve itself,
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pacity of modern aquestion of wages and profits as into this very fact of comparative advantages in natural resources. Honce the problem of problems increasingly tonds to become, how to conserve the existing stores of natural resources in such a way as to supply present demands without impairing the foundations of our economic position.

In business as in physics, the governing law is the conservation of energy. One can hardly do a better service to the lumber interests of this country than to restate this question in such a way as to appeal to, the keen commercial intelligence represented in your association.

HELP GET INFORMATION.

If, upon reviewing the question, you come to the conclusion that the facts at your command are inadequate, and that well defined inquiries should be made, a proposition to that effect from your association or any representative body of lumbermen will have the department's fullest consideration. Such an inquiry was made by the Bureau of Statistics at the suggestion of the American Warehousemen's Association into the present status and business relations of their industry. The inadequacy of transportation facilities has been a standing complaint among lumbermen in hearty all parts of the country, engendering much friction between transportation interests on the one hand and shippers and receivers of tumber on the other. Such questions can usually be sattled rightly only by having light on the subject, and an impartial inlumber on the other. Such questions can usually be settled rightly only by having light on the subject, and an impartial inquiry into the conditions would no doubt go far toward an improvement. Unsatisfactory commercial conditions should not be left to remedy themselves, when public inquiry might facilitate the substitution of better methods.

pie. You have already done much on your own account. Among the commendable services is that of standardizing the grades of lumber, thereby reducing the risks and lowering the cost of handling the commodity between producer and consumer. Americans excel in standardizing their products and account of the product of the p

the coinmodity between producer and consumer. Americans excel in standardizing their products, and no snail part of our success abroad has come from this one thing.

SUPPLY NOT INEXHAUSTIBLE.
One fact that I am glad has come to the minds of the lumbermen, not only upon the Pacific Coast, but elsewhere, is that the timber supply is not inexhaustible, and, to use the language of a writer on this subject. "Instead of the extravagant methods of the past, constant study of economy in logging and manufacturing methods is in vogue." Improved methods will prolong the life of your great industry, and one of the principal advantages to come from the discussion of such an organization as this is that facts and necessities are placed clearly before you, and are supplemented by practical suggestions as to the means and methods for the accomplishment of the best results. I congratulate you that your can avail yourselves of the assistance of the Department of Agriculture in many features of your work, and just as the new Department of Commerce and Lager associations. the Department of Agriculture in many features of your work, and just as the new Department of Commerce and Labor co-operates with that department in efforts to provide a profitable market for the produce of the farms, it will co-operate with it to extend the markets for American lumber.

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Let me repeat to you what I have taken occasion to say several times before, that the new department looks to the commercial organizations of the country for hearty co-operation and support in the work that has been allotted to it. We hope to accomplish much in the broad field that Congress has assigned to us. In fostering promoting and developing the commercial and industrial interests of the nation. But the results will be meagre unless the interests we represent join hands with us in our efforts to make the department of practical scrytce and of increasing usefulness to the people of this country.

BASEBALL MEN COMPLETE WORK

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, March 3.—After a two days session here the American League and National League Committees on Schedule to-night agreed upon playing dates for the coming season. The American League announced its schedule to-night, while the National League will not make its playing dates public until to-morrow. While the committees endeavored as far as possible to make he schedule non-conflicting, they ware not completely successful. The American League esason will open April lith. The schedule includes 154 games.

Chairman Hermann, of the National Rase-Ball Commission, to-day handed down a decision in the matter of Sunday ball games at Ridgswood, Long island. He decides that the New York American League cannot play Sunday ball at that place, 4s it would be in violation of the national agreement.

The new constitution makes some radical changes and completely disposes of any idea that ether league may have had in favor of consolidation. The name is changed to read "National League of Professional Base-Ball Clubs," and the report says that it shall consist of eight cluster. Boston, New York, Brooklyn, Philiadelphia, Pittsburg, Chelmant, St. Louis and Chicago—for all time.

COCKING MAIN STOPPED BY THE GOVERNOR

GREENVILLE, S. C., March 3.—A cocking main between North Carolina and feorgia birds, which was scheduled to be fought here to day, was stopped by order of the Governor. Two contests had been fought, the North Carolina birds winning, when an officer appeared and the fighting was stopped at once. No at rests were made.

DEMOCRACY WITH PISTOL

MR. CORTELYOU SPEAKS THE VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION LADY CLERK BARELY ESCAPED

Two Clerks in the War Departs

General Chaffee Helped to Over-

sought in vain to will list convent. Business and the property of the property (By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C. March 3.—Armeo
with a thirty-eight calibre revolver Wiliam J. O'Brien alias William Duffy, an

imembers of the association and the two Virginia senators and seven of the nine Democratic representatives.

The guests first discussed the elegant menu and then Mr. Clarence Thoman, president of the association, who acted as toastmaster, began calling upon the various spenkers.

Senator Daniel made a lappy address, in the course of which he alluded to the candidacy of Mr. Gorman and Judge Parker for the nomination to the presidency saying the party need but cross the border line of the District to find a guod man for the high honor, or it might go to the pivotal State of New York and find a Democrat who would honor the country, the party and himself as President of the Chited States.

TRUE DEMOCRACY.

Major Daniel dwelt upon the need of party harmony. He declared that Democrats should subordinate prejudices and lay aside resentments when it goes to toose a national candidate at St. Louis. "The Democratic party should be too big to be governed by one man," it was the best he has made in a long was often interrupted by applauses. Parket of those who heard the speech said it was the best he has made in a long while.

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which was roundly applauded,
Hon, St. George Tucker, dean of the
law faculty of Columbian University, and
former member of Congress from the
Tenth Virginia District, made a very
happy address, which was punctuated
with amplause

happy address, which was placed with applause.

Representative John Lamb made an address which received great applause. He spoke in eloquent vein of the escentials of the true greatness of a nation, not its conquests of foreign peoples, or Rome would be standing to-day, but its care of the needs of the people of home.

the people at home. Representatives Swanson, Glass, Hay

Representatives Swanson, Glass. Hay and Rixey spoke briefly, but Mr. Southall, of the Fourth District, and Mr. Flood, of the Tenth, left the hall soon after the toastmaster announced he would call on the representatives in the order of the districts they represented.

Mr. Hay in his speech indicated very clearly that he desired to see Judge Parker nominated to the presidency Letters regretting the inability of the writers to be present were read from Governor Montague, Senator Gorman, General Fitzhugh Lee, Hon, J. Taylor Etlyson and others.

NEGRO KILLED, TOO.

Row Started Because Objection Raised to Colored Workman.

Raised to Colored Workman.

(By Associated Press.)
FORT SMITH, ARK. March 2.—In addition to John Hopper, J. C. Butler and C. A. Blevins, white men, Walter Jackson, a negro, was killed in a condict between whites and blacks at Bakoshe Indian Territory, Wednesday evening, William Price, one of the colored meishot, arrived in this city to-day, and is now at the bospitul. He says that on Tuesday negroes were ordered out of the camp and went. They returned Wednesday, armed and ready to resist an attack. They were standing in a group on the depot platform, awaiting the arrival of a train, 17 in number, whon one of the white men, who was killed, without any warning shot at Jackson, who returned the fire, and both men dropped dead about the same time.

The negroes were employed on the Midland Valley Railroad, and their presence was objected to by the white inborers.

Everything is now quiet.

ADOPTED BY SENATE

(By Associated Press.)

ANNAPOLIS, MD., March 3.—The Democtatic organization measure, being a proposed amendment to the State Constitution to regulate the suffrage, and admittedly for the purpose of eliminating the negro vote, was passed in the State Senate to-day. The final passing through the Senate to-day attracted no more attention than the disposal of some triding local bill.

HEARING IN THE DREYFUS CASE

PARIS, March 3.—The Court of Cessation began at noon to-day the consideration of the appeal of Alfred Dreyfus for a revision of his trial. The report of M. Boyer, reporter of the court, which was read, presented the two new facts, upon which the Minister of Justice, M. Valle, recommended a revision of the case. These were set forth as follows:

"1.—The secret documents include a letter bearing the initial 'D. Now, by an allidayit, signed by M. Gibelin, keeper of the archives, it appears that this document previously carried the letter 'P. For this latter was substituted a 'D.' and thus the altered document was presented to the court at Rennes.

"2.—According to the Minister of Justice, another lotter, signed 'Alexandrine, which agent 'A addressed to agent 'B, contalged some words in the handwriting of the late Lieutenant-Colonel Henry M. Gribelin swore during the inquiry of the Minister of War that this letter was false. It was true, however, that the date of this document was March 28, 1855, when Dreyfus was imprisoned on Devil's 1stand."

It was claimed by those present in court that, if the new facts were acland."
It was claimed by those present in court that, if the new facts were actionwhedged by the tribunal, the innocency of Dreyfus would be established.

Rich Negro Dead.

The body of Richard Taylor, a wealthy colored man of Nowport News, with relatives here, was taken to Petersburg yesterday evening for burial to-day.

The funeral will be a large one, Many colored people from Richmond will go over.

while.

OTHER FINE SPEECHES.

Hon, John Goode, former president of the building.

O'Brien was admitted to St. Elizabeth's the Virginia Constitutional Convention, made an eloquent and patriotic response which was roundly applianced.

Hon, St. George Tucker, dean of the

JAPS COMING

decided upon are: First, that General Europatkin's headquarters are to be at Mukden; Viceroy Alexief proposes to remain at Mukden indefinitely, as that city is the center of the Chinese administration, and has a viceroyal bureau; second, that the plain west of Tashinchiao, which is almost impossible or defense, will be held if possible on account of the railroad connecting with Port Arthur; third, Hai-Ching and Liao-Yang are the extreme limits to which troops will be withdrawn, on account of the exposure of the railroad at these points. That the Japanese will arrive before a thaw permits the construction of defense is thought here to be practically certain. It would appear also that the sieged.

To Prevent Crossing.

SEOUL, March 3.—The Russian forces at Anju are compelling the Koreans to supply them with rice, fodder and fuel. The Russians are fortifying Antung heavily with the apparent intention of preventing the Japanese from crossing the Value.

PROTECT RAILROAD.

Russians Will Lend Every Energy to Prevent a Blockade. Extra Sidings.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PEFFRSBURG, March 3.-Since the disappears not of the Japanese fleet from before Port Arthur the Russian from before Port Arthur the Russian authorities have been awaiting anxiously the next move of the Japanese on sea. There is an inclination here to believe that the Japanese have been discouraged by the failure of their attacks, and perhaps by losses they have not announced. It is evident from the meagre information regarding the Russian dispositiona in northern Korea that the plan for checking the Japanese land advance is perfected, and that heavy reserves are being brought up to the Yalu River. Every energy of the authorities is now directed to prevent a blockade on the Silberian Railroad. Twenty new sidings, each of 2,200 feet, are being erected. Owing to the heavy movement of rolling stock carrying reinforcements, war munitions and commissaria, stores castward, there is great danger that in bringing back the empty cars the vhole line may be stopped. With the sidings now building the authorities hope to be able to keep the line clear and to send eleven the RAD COUNTRY.

IN BAD COUNTRY.

Japanese Said to Have Taken Route Where Marching Is Almost Impossible.

Almost Impossible.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. PFFTPRSBURG, March 8.—The landing of 2,500 Japanese at Song Chin, Plaksin Bay, Korea, February 19th, reported by Major-General Pflug, chief of staff of Viceroy Alexieff, is believed here to be the origin of the recent reports of a Japanese landing at Possiet Bay, and 's considered to be an attempt to outflank the Russian advance from the Yalu River. The Japanese, according to General Pflug, have gone to a point whence a mountain pass leads to the head waters of the Yalu, eighty miles distant. Marching in that mountainous region is declared by experts here to be aimost impossible. The absence of roads, it is added, will completely upset the Japanese plans, the only good road in Korea, leading through Ping Yang, being already in possession of the Russians.

Bombs at Minister's House.

The funeral will be a large one. Many colored people from Richmond will go over.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIEY.

WANTED. TO SELL. ONE HANDSOME cake extension table, ten feet long; in excellent condition; sold for want of use.

Apply 66 West Cary Street.

to permit the committee to do its work. REORGANIZERS DETERMINED. In the election of temporary chairman, the Third and Ninth Districts voted with practical solidity for District Attorney Lewis. The Second, Seventh and Eighth were almost a unit for the Acnews.

The refusal of the convention to make the nomination unanimous, showed the temper of the reorganizers. Although the reorganizers were divided the reorganizers were not badly beaten and their defeat was received with a sert of "wait till next time" act of determination.

The convention adjourned for recess at 429 P. M., with the announcement that it would be again called to order at 8 o'clock, at which time the Crudentials Committee would make its report. There were forly or fifty contests before that committee and these consumed more time than was anticipated. It was after 8 o'clock before the delegates began to strive and after 10 before the committions for temporary chairman, Mr. Asnew Called Mr. D. Lawrence Contests and was called Mr. D. Lawrence fore the committee appeared. During the nominations for temperary chairman, Mr. Asnew called Mr. D. Lawrence Stoper

FROM PRAIRIE FIRE

dian school reserve, destroying several indian houses and Torty head of government cattle. Spreading westward, the flames covered miles of the homestead district, destroying houses, barns and stock. It was in this district that five persons are reported to have perished in attempting to protect their property. The names of three have been learned. They are Dock and John Harmond, brothers, and a man named Fischer. The other two were wennen, and their names have not yet been learned. Late at night the fire began moving southward toward this city. At midnight five thousand people of the city were

Damage in Comanche County.

(By Associated Press.)

OKLAHOMA CITY, March 2.—Driven by a terrific gale from the north, which sometimes reached a velocity of ninety miles an hour, a prairie fire swept over 75,000 acres in Comanche county last night, inflicting damage now estimated at \$200,000. The city of Lawton was saved only by extreme effort, while many farmhouses were consumed. Klowa, county was also visited by a prairie fire during the storm, while damage is reported from all over the Southwest. The losses from whind and fire reported to date follow:

Hobart, \$40,000; Vinsons, \$5,000; Lawton, \$5,000; small country towns aggregate

body Was Hurt. Two cars crashed together at Seventh

factory. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, March 3 .- On January

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ESTIMATED EARNINGS.

President Earr estimates that the earnings of the Adanta Birmingham division should amount the first year after completion to \$1,121,000. The Scaboard's earnings for the winter months caunot be termed unsatisfactory. The road has done a splendid through passenger business to the Florida winter resorts, besides carrying an increased amount of raw cotton from compresses to manufacturing points in Alabama, Georgia and North Carolina.